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Letter dated 22 March 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have been instructed by my Government to bring to your attention the request made to "Mobtel" by the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) and the Kosovo Force (KFOR) to disconnect 120 lines between Goles and Sokolac (Mt. Radan). Gracanica, Lepina and Babin Most are now connected on those lines operated via the switchboard at Prokuplje. In the explanation of the request, it is stated that the Post and Telephone Office of Kosovo and Metohija objected to the institution of the lines towards the Republic of Serbia. Threats were made to withdraw the mobile telephone licence and to disconnect all lines from Kosovo and Metohija towards Serbia.

In advising you of the most recent example of the violation of Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) of 10 June 1999 and the failure to respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, I have the honour to transmit the request of my Government that the Security Council take the necessary measures to maintain the said telephone lines in operation, bearing specifically in mind that the Serbs in the said area would be denied any telephone line, established after seven months of interruption.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Vladislav **Jovanović**
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